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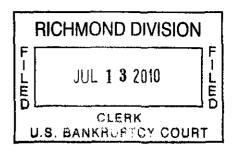
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July 6, 2010

Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court United States Bankruptcy Court 701 East Broad Street-Room 4000 Richmond, VA 23219

Re: In re: Circuit City Stores, Inc., et al.

Case No.: 08-35653 (KRH)

Dear Sir/Madame:

Please be advised that I represent Claimant, James Fouskey, with regard to injuries he sustained in an accident on December 2, 2007, at Circuit City in Wayne, New Jersey.

Kindly accept the following as Claimant's response to Circuit City Stores, Inc., 79th Omnibus Objection to Claims which is venued in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, Richmond Division, bearing case no.: 08-35653 (KRH).

On December 2, 2007, Claimant, James Fouskey, was an invitee at Circuit City in Wayne, New Jersey. As he exited the store, he slipped and fell on ice which was covering the exit ramp from the store to the parking area. This was the only means of egress available to Claimant. As a result, he fell and struck his left shoulder and sustained a full thickness tear of the supraspinatus tendon. Claimant underwent open rotator cuff repair with insertion of six screw anchors. Claimant continues to experience severe pain and limitation of motion as a result of this injury.

At the time of the accident, Circuit City maintained, operated and controlled the premises where Claimant fell. Circuit knew or should have known of the icy condition of its entrance/exit

ramp which patrons must use to enter or exit the store. It failed to make a reasonable inspection of the premises in order to determine said condition. Circuit City did not take proper precautions to avoid Claimant's fall such as salting the ramp, although there was snowfall prior to Claimant's fall. The snow and ice covered ramp was carelessly and negligently maintained, creating an unsafe, hazardous and dangerous condition.

I am enclosing medical records which were forwarded with Claimant's Proof of Claim. Also enclosed is deposition transcript of Claimant taken with regard to the civil lawsuit pending in Bergen County Superior Court, New Jersey.

Please contact me if you need anything further.

Very truly yours

AND:bt

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ENGLEWOOD HOSPITAL and MEDICAL CENTER 350 Engle Street Englewood, NJ 07631

REPORT OF OPERATION

NAME: SURGEON: Fouskey, James E Michael Pizzillo, MD

MRN: DATE: 00845281 07/14/2008

SURGEON: PT LOCATION:

DIS

ACCOUNT NO:

000036206183

DATE OF PROCEDURE: July 14, 2008

PREOPERATIVE DIAGNOSES:

1. Chronic left shoulder two-tendon rotator cuff tear.

Left shoulder impingement.

POSTOPERATIVE DIAGNOSES:

1. Chronic left shoulder two-tendon rotator cuff tear.

Left shoulder impingement.

PROCEDURES PERFORMED:

Open repair left shoulder chronic rotator cuff tear.

2. Arthroscopic left shoulder subacromial decompression.

SURGEON: Michael Pizzillo, MD

ANESTHESIA: Left interscalene block and general anesthesia.

ESTIMATED BLOOD LOSS: Minimal.

INTRAVENOUS FLUIDS: 600 mL of plasmalyte.

OPERATIVE FINDINGS: Massive, chronic two-tendon rotator cuff tear with retraction.

ORTHOPEDIC DEVICES: Two 5.5 fully threaded Bio-Corkscrew anchors. Four 3.5-mm PushLock suture anchors.

INDICATIONS: A 69-year-old right-hand dominant gentleman, status post a fall. Initial MRI scan revealed a left shoulder supraspinatus rotator cuff tear. Interval MRI scan performed several months later in June 2008 revealed massive two-tendon rotator cuff tear with atrophy and retraction. The patient failed an appropriate course of conservative treatment and indicated for the above procedure.

DETAILS OF PROCEDURE: After being properly identified, the patient was taken to the operating room and placed supine on the operating room table. A left interscalene block was performed by the anesthesia department. Preoperative antibiotics were given intravenously. The patient was secured to the operating room table. General anesthesia was successful performed by the anesthesia department. The operating room table was then conformed into the beach chair position. All bony prominences were well padded. Venodyne boots were applied. The left upper extremity was then prepped and draped in the usual sterile fashion. A

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marking pen was used to mark the bony anatomy and the proposed portal sites.

The posterior portal was established, followed by the anterior superior portal just inferior to the biceps tendon. A probe was then placed through the anterior portal probing the anterior superior labrum as well as the biceps anchor. There was no evidence of labral pathology. The patient had no evidence of glenohumeral arthritis. The axillary pouch was inspected. There was no evidence of loose bodies. The undersurface of the rotator cuff was visualized revealing a retracted, massive rotator cuff tear. A 4.5 shaver was then placed into the anterior superior portal debriding the undersurface of the rotator cuff.

The scope was then redirected into the subacromial space and a lateral portal was then established. The ArthroCare wand was then used to remove adherent bursal tissue off the rotator cuff. Areas of concentration were the posterolateral corner of the lateral gutter. Anteriorly, the patient had a large anterior acromial spur.

The coracoacromial ligament was identified, released and resected. A 4.5 shaver was then used to debride the edges of the rotator cuff, which was then re-visualized from the bursal side. A 4.0 acromionizer was placed into the lateral portal, performing an acromioplasty of the anterior inferior surface of the acromion and co-planing the clavicle to a similar level.

A cuff grasper was then placed into the anterior cannula which was redirected in the subacromial space. Grasping the rotator cuff, this was then pulled anteriorly, releasing scar tissue as the entire posterior portion of the humeral head was visualized. Although the rotator cuff was somewhat mobile, I was unable to fully mobilize it to cover the humeral head. The supraspinatus was mobilized on the undersurface of the rotator cuff. The infraspinatus was mobilized posteriorly. The cuff grasper was utilized during this process. Due to the massive nature of the tear, the procedure was then converted to an open procedure.

The instruments were taken out of the subacromial space. The lateral portal was then extended. Full-thickness flaps were developed. The deltoid was split bluntly. The subacromial space was re-identified and retractors were placed deep into the wound. The rotator cuff was then re-visualized in the subacromial space. Previously placed converging stitches were utilized as traction sutures to draw the rotator cuff anterolateral. Two converging stitches were then placed in a split in between the infraspinatus and supraspinatus. The arm was slightly abducted. Next, a series of 5.5 fully threaded Bio-Corkscrew anchors were deployed after the appropriate punch tap system was applied. The sutures were then passed through the rotator cuff with a Mayo needle. Efforts were made to further mobilize the retracted rotator cuff, including an interval slide; the rotator cuff tissue was friable. The cuff was not fully mobilized and 75 percent of the humeral head coverage was achieved. The sutures from the previously placed anchors were then tied. Suture tails from the Bio-Corkscrew anchors and the convergence stitches were secured laterally with a series of PushLock anchors. The suturing and tying were performed from a posterior to anterior direction. The PushLock anchors were placed into the lateral portion of the humerus, securing the rotator cuff just lateral to the articular edge.

Once complete, the wound was irrigated. The deep fascia was closed with 0 Vicryl suture. The subcutaneous tissue was closed with 2-0 Vicryl suture and the skin with staples. Nylon suture was used on the portal sites. The patient was placed into a shoulder immobilizer, extubated, transferred to a stretcher and brought to recovery room in stable condition.

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Michael Pizzillo, MD

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cc: Michael Pizzillo, MD

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October 30, 2008

Ms. Alisa Nunno-DiChiara Attorney at Law 45 Essex Street, Suite 201 Hackensack, NJ 07601

RE: James Fouskey

DATE OF ACCIDENT: December 2, 2007

Dear Ms. Nunno-DiChiara:

The patient is a 70 year old male who was in his regular state of health until December 2, 2007 when he sustained a fall injuring his left shoulder. The patient states that he was shopping at Circuit City store. As he was leaving the store, he slipped on black ice, lost balance, fell and landed on his left shoulder. The patient developed immediate left shoulder pain which by the next day was significantly worse. On December 3, 2007, Mr. Fouskey presented himself to St. Joseph's Wayne Hospital in Wayne, NJ. At the hospital, the patient complained of left shoulder pain and tenderness. According to the hospital notes, the patient underwent X-rays of his left shoulder which ruled out fractures or dislocations and he was released home the same day with prescription for Naprosyn 500 mg, twice a day with food. Diagnosis upon discharge from St. Joseph's Wavne Hospital was left shoulder contusion and internal derangement. The patient was instructed to follow up with his primary care physician and orthopedic physician for further evaluation of his shoulder. The patient was referred to Dr. Robert Greenblum, orthopedics, in Fair Lawn and subsequently, he was referred for MRI testing of his left shoulder. The MRI testing was performed at Clifton Medical Imaging on December 5, 2007. The MRI testing revealed a complete tear of the supraspinatus tendon, large amount of fluid and moderate degree of degenerative arthritis. Mr. Fouskey was followed up by Dr. Robert Greenblum on December 27, 2007 when according to Dr. Greenblum's consult note, the patient's examination revealed mild swelling and persistent tenderness and obvious weakness with external rotation and abduction on Dr. Greenblum's impression was rotator cuff tear, left shoulder and he discussed at that time with his patient the possibility of arthroscopic repair of the rotator cuff. At the patient's request, a course of physical therapy was initiated and the patient went for physical therapy approximately two months. The patient remembers that physical therapy did not help his symptoms in any way, by the opposite, he remembers being in constant, excruciating pain.

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On July 14, 2008, Mr. Fouskey underwent surgical reconstruction to his left shoulder by Dr. Michael Pizzillo at Englewood Hospital and Medical Center in Englewood, NJ. Preoperative diagnosis was chronic left shoulder 2 tendon rotator cuff tear and left shoulder impingement. Postoperative diagnosis was the same. The procedure performed open repair left shoulder chronic rotator cuff tear and arthroscopic left shoulder subacromial decompression. Indications for surgery, status post fall with initial MRI scan showing supraspinatus rotator cuff tear. An interval MRI testing performed in June 2008 revealed massive 2 tendon rotator cuff tear and atrophy and retraction. The patient failed appropriate course of conservative treatment and indication for the above procedure was made. The patient was placed postoperatively into a shoulder immobilizer and transferred to recovery room. Postoperative complications included urinary retraction. The patient was discharged from the hospital with a urinary bag, which subsequently was removed a week later. Postoperatively, the patient was sent for a second course of physical therapy to Kessler Institute in Clifton. He underwent approximately 3 weeks of physical therapy.

Postoperatively, the patient continued having pain, predominantly related to movement and diminished range of motion in his left arm.

The patient's complaints today include, but are not limited to, persistent pain, limitation of range of motion, inability to use his left arm for activities of daily living.

PAST MEDICAL HISTORY: Hypertension; diabetes; narcolepsy.

MEDICATIONS: Flomax; Lisinopril; HCT.

ALLERGIES: None.

SOCIAL HISTORY: Right hand dominant, non-smoker. Denies alcohol abuse. He has 5 children. He works part time as a concierge. The patient reports that he was out of work for approximately one month secondary to injuries related to the fall of December 2, 2007.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION:

Reveals the patient is alert and oriented. HEIGHT: 6'. WEIGHT: 235 pounds. Examination is directed to his left shoulder which reveals a postsurgical incision measuring 8 cm. length, which is healed, no signs of infection. Tenderness to palpation over the anterior and lateral aspect of the shoulder. Range of motion of the shoulder is limited in flexion to 160 degrees with tightness and pain at end range. Limited in external rotation to 50 degrees with pain. Internal rotation is full 90 degrees. Abduction

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is also limited to 160 degrees. Manual muscle testing of the left shoulder graded at 4+/5 compared to 5/5 on the right.

IMPRESSION:

- 1. Left shoulder rotator cuff tear.
- 2. Left shoulder open repair of the left rotator cuff tear on July 14, 2008.

FUNCTIONAL STATUS:

The patient reports that prior to this accident, he was fully independent and able to function without restrictions or limitations to his left shoulder and was pain free. Following his fall on December 2, 2007 and his injury, the patient reports having had significantly limited functional level. He reports that he cannot lift, carry even lightweight objects with his left arm. He has pain every time he turns in his sleep on the left shoulder. He is unable to perform any type of work around the house, unable to cut grass and clean gutters, activities that he had no trouble performing prior to December 2, 2007. He states that his activities at work are also limited, as a concierge at a building, he is required to receive and therefore lift, push, pull and/or carry UPS parcels that at the present time, he is unable to do. He is unable to perform any light work around his house, such as changing light bulbs of the ceiling.

MEDICAL DOCUMENTATION REVIEWED:

Physician notes dated December 3, 2007 from St. Joseph's Wayne Hospital which states that the patient slipped and fell yesterday and injured his left shoulder. Patient assessment record from St. Joseph's Hospital. Patient assessment nurse's record from Emergency Department medical record from St. Joseph's St. Joseph's Hospital. Hospital. X-ray reports dated December 3, 2007 from St. Joseph's Hospital which notes presence of degenerative changes, but no acute fracture or dislocation noted. The test was read by Dr. Steinberg. MRI of the left shoulder performed December 5, 2007 at Clifton Medical Imaging Center which reveals presence of a complete tear of the supraspinatus tendon with retraction, test read by Dr. Michael Kessler. Operative report dated July 14, 2008 performed at Englewood Hospital and Medical Center in Englewood, NJ by Dr. Michael Pizzillo. I have also reviewed multiple medical bills which included St. Joseph's Regional Medical Hospital bills which included emergency nurses and diagnostic X-ray with a total charge of \$562.00 dated December 3, 2007. Medical bills from Clifton Medical Imaging which included charges of \$995.00. Multiple orthopedic bills which included patient visits and surgical procedure dated July 14, 2008 which totaled to \$11,952.00. Emergency Medical Associates with a total balance of \$65.68. Bills from Allwood Physical Therapy which totaled to \$2,168.00. Englewood

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Hospital bills for drugs administered and pathology \$671.00 and Englewood Hospital bills for supplies, lab, anesthesiology, emergency room and recovery room which added to \$18,861.00. Physical therapy from Kessler Institute totaling \$878.00 and \$72.00.

PROGNOSIS:

This patient's prognosis is poor. This patient sustained serious injury to his left shoulder which resulted in a complete rotator cuff tear that did not improve with conservative care and subsequently required surgical reconstruction to his left shoulder on July 14, 2008. Although postoperatively, the patient did feel better in terms of pain, the patient has not become pain free. His range of motion remains limited and he presents persistent weakness to his left shoulder.

DISCUSSION:

In my opinion, within a reasonable degree of medical probability the patient's condition is directly related to the accident described in this report. The mechanism of injury is entirely consistent with the clinical presentation. There has been severe trauma to his left shoulder as a result of slip and fall accident that this patient sustained. There has been a complete rotator cuff tear that required surgical intervention. The patient underwent open surgery to his left shoulder and postoperatively developed complications which included urinary retention. The patient also underwent a prolonged course of physical therapy pre and postoperatively but he has not recovered completely and has not regained his pre-accident status. In my opinion, within a reasonable degree of medical probability, there has been a permanent weakening of the structures of his left shoulder, therefore, his injuries are permanent in nature. At this point in time. I believe this patient is not a surgical candidate, however, he suffers from long term complications such as residual pain, residual limitations of range of motion. loss of function and weakness to his left shoulder. It is also my opinion that the above medical bills were reasonable and necessary for proper treatment of this patient's significant injury to his left shoulder.

Sincerely,

Catalina Anca Grigorescu, M.D/

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     WAYNE VF, LLC, VORNADO TRUST,
     STAR UNIVERSAL, LLC,
     INDUSTRIAPLEX, INC., TOWER
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Page 2 1 A P P E A R A N C E S: 2 WILLIAM R. NUNNO, ESQ. BY: ALISA NUNNO DICHIARA, ESQ. 3 Attorneys for the Plaintiff, James Fouskey 4 WILSON, ELSER, MOSKOWITZ, EDELMAN & DICKER, ESQS. BY: DANIEL E. ZEMSKY, ESQ. 5 Attorneys for the Defendant, Circuit City Stores, Inc., Wayne VF, LLC, Vornado Trust 6 JOHN P. TIERNEY, ESQ. 7 Attorney for the Defendant, Industriaplex 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25	Page 4 I INDEX DIRECT CROSS RE-DIRECT RE-CROSS JAMES FOUSKEY By Mr. Zemsky 5 27/89 By Mr. Tierney 26 63 By Ms. Nunno DiChiara 89 INDEX TO EXHIBITS EXHIBIT DESCRIPTION IDENT. Fouskey-1 Photograph 26 Fouskey-2 Answers to Interrogatories 55 Fouskey-3 Letter dated 9/24/08 from Ms. Nunno DiChiara 58 Fouskey-4 Five-page Document from Orthopedic Associates 72 Fouskey-4 Five-page Document from Orthopedic Associates 72 11 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25
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1	session. I am going to be asking a whole bunch of
2	questions. You are going to be answering to the best
3	of your ability. I understand that this accident
4	happened, you know, in 2007. So I know memories fade
5	over time, so if you don't remember something, it is
6	a perfectly good response to say I do not remember.
7	If there is something that is a document
8	that you maybe think that will help refresh your
9	recollection, you can identify the document. And if we
10	don't have it today, then I can always ask for it from
11	your attorney,
12	Do you understand?
13	A Yes.
14	Q You have to speak up. It is also important
15	that do you not guess. We are not here to trick you. And
16	I want to know what you know. I don't want you to guess
17	at anything.
18	If you can approximate for me, that is a
19	different story.
20	Do you know the difference between guessing
21	and approximating?
22	A Well, guessing is just something that you pull out
23	of the air. Approximating is something that you don't
24	know, maybe you might not know the exact day, but you are
25	close to it.

Page 8 question I would just ask you to answer the question and 1 2 then we will break. Okay? All right. 3 If we do break, you cannot talk about the Q 5 matter at all. 6 All right. Are you ready to begin? 7 Q 8 Okay. 9 Q Just for the record could you just state your 10 full name? James E. Fouskey. 11 How old are you, Mr. Fouskey? 12 Q 13 Seventy. 14 What is your date of birth? Q 15 July 24th, 1938. And your Social Security number? 16 Q 17 152-28-7094. 18 Where do you presently live? 40, four, zero, Sylvan, S-y-l-v-a-n Avenue, 19 20 in Clifton, New Jersey 07011. 21 Do you reside there with anybody? Q 22 My wife. 23 How long have you been married?

Page 7 1 Okay. That is a fairly good definition. An example is the distance between you and I. I mean you don't really know, but you can probably approximate 4 maybe we are three feet apart from each other. I mean you and I may have a difference of opinion on how far we 5 6 are. 7 Five feet. 8 Q Five feet. Okay. But you understand what

9 I am saying? 10 Yes. Yes. Okay. I have got to ask this, are you on 11 any medications today or anything like that would hinder 12 13 your testimony today?

14 Α No.

15 Once we begin you cannot confer with your attorney. So if there are any questions that you 16 17 would like to ask of your attorney now in confidence, 18 this is the time to do it.

19 Do you have any questions of either myself or 20 anybody else in this room before we start?

21 Α No.

22 Q Okay. So you are ready to begin?

23 Α Yes.

24 Q We can take breaks. If you want to take a break, that is perfectly fine. Just if we are in mid

1 Α Yes.

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2 Q How many?

3 Α Seven.

> How old is the youngest? Q

Do you have children?

The youngest is 36. 5 Α

> Q Do any of your children live with you?

Thirty and a half years or something like that.

7 Α No.

8 How long have you lived at 40 Sylvan Avenue Q

9 for?

10 About twenty-nine years. Α

Is it a single family home?

12 Yes. Α

13 Q Do you own the home?

14 Α Yes.

15 Could you just give me a brief background of Q

your education? 16

I went to -- I graduated. I went to high school 17 18 and graduated high school. I went to RETS Electronics

19 Technician course that I took for two years.

Where did you graduate high school from? 20

21 Central High School.

22 Where is that? Q

23 A It no longer exists now, It was in Paterson.

What year did you graduate?

25 It was 1957. I don't know the exact year. Page 9

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Page	10
1 Q That is fine. Somewhere in the late '50s?	
2 A Yes.	
3 Q And you said you went to RETS Electronics	
4 Tech?	
5 A Yes, on Park Avenue in Nutley.	
6 Q What type of school is that?	
7 A It is an electronics. They teach electronic	
8 courses.	
9 Q A vocational school?	
10 A Yes, it was. They yeah, you would say vocation	al
11 school.	
12 Q Do you remember what years you went there	≥?
13 A It was in 1970 probably 4.	
14 Q And it is a two-year program?	
15 A Yes.	
16 Q Did you graduate with a degree?	
17 A Yes.	
18 Q What did you do between 1957, the late 50s	
19 to 1974?	
20 A I worked in the dry cleaners. I had a dry cleaners	i.
21 Q So you owned it?	
22 A I owned and I worked in one up until my first wife	<u>.</u>
23 died.	
24 Q So this is your second marriage?	
25 A Yes.	
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Page 12 basically that is what it was. 1 2 Where was that located? 3 In Paterson. 4 Q Do you remember how long that business was 5 opened for? That one was opened for a couple of years, two or 6 7 three years. In the fifties or sixties? 8 Q 9 No, that was in the seventies. 10 Seventies. '75 maybe, after my wife had passed, the first one. 11 And so before you owned a dry cleaning 12 business, you worked at other dry cleaning businesses? 13 Yes, I first started working at a dry cleaning 14 15 business in 1954. 16 Q Then the first time you owned a dry cleaning business was in '75? 17 18 Yes. 19 Q That was Fouskey Cleaning? 20 Yes. 21 Q After Fouskey Cleaning closed, is that when you went to the RETS Electronic Tech School? 22 23 Yes, I went to RETS Electronics after that. 24 Q And what did you do after you graduated from

When did you -- I would like to do the 2 math, so thirty and a half years, you would have been 3 married to this wife since -- this is 2008 --1978. 4 5 Q When were you married to your first wife? 1958. 6 Α 7 Q Do you have any children with your first wife? 8 9 Five. Α 10 Q Five. So you have five children with your first wife and two with your second wife? 11 12 Yeah, my second wife I call them my children, but she had them by her first husband. But I don't have 13 stepchildren. These are my kids. 14 15 So you have five natural children with 16 your first wife and two other children with your second wife? 17 Yes. Yes. 18 19 Q Now, you said you were in the dry cleaning 20 business. And I believe you have testified that you owned 21 a dry cleaning at one time? 22 Yes. Α 23 Q Do you remember what the name of that dry 24 cleaning was and when was it?

Well, I had a couple of them. Fouskey Cleaners,

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25 RETS? Page 13 1 For a while I didn't do anything because my wife 2 had passed. So I had five kids. I had an infant baby. I had at that time she died of childbirth, so I had an infant baby and four other kids. So I stopped working for 5 a while and I had a house and so --6 Q When you finally got back into the 7 work force, where did you go? 8 When I finally went back into the work force I went and I worked for a cleaners in New Milford. 9 10 Do you remember the name of that cleaners? It has been so long, I don't remember the name. 11 12 That is okay. How long did you work there 13 for, do you remember the dates? 14 I worked there for maybe five or six years. When did you start working for the condominium 15 Q association? 16 17 2004. I think it was 2004. 18 At Admiral --Q 19 Admiral Walk. 20 Q What was your position in 2004? 21 Α Concierge. 22 Were you working full-time or part-time? Q 23 Α Part-time. 24 Q What does part-time consist of? 25 Α Part-time consist of maybe twenty, twenty-five hours,

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1	sometimes forty hours. It varies.	1	house?
2	Q Would that be every day? Would you work	2	A I would pick it up.
3	every day?	3	Q You would pick it up?
4	A No. No, the way I worked was like if someone	4	A Yes, and deliver it.
5	called out on vacation time, I would work every day to	5	Q And you did the dry-cleaning in your garage?
6	fill in. Other than that, no, I didn't work	6	A Yes.
7	every day.	7	Q And you would deliver it back to them?
8	Q Normally would you work	8	A Yes.
9	A Normally it was a part-time job.	9	Q And you were doing this business from 1975
10	Q Three days a week?	10	until before you
11	A Yes, three days a week.	11	A Yes. I have always did that, yes.
12	Q And in 2004, what were your duties as a	12	Q Was that your sole source of income
13	concierge?	13	before you did Admiral Walk, was doing this dry cleaning
14	A Well, my duties as a concierge is you sit at a	14	business out of your garage?
15	desk and you take calls and any emergencies you have	15	A Yeah. I do taxes. I do a lot of things. I work
16	to handle them. And you have to give out the mail that	16	for electronic filed taxes. And I was doing real estate
17	is left at the desk, the UPS parcels, you have to hand	17	at one time.
18	them out.	18	Q Did you work for a company when you did
19	Q And you mean by handing them out, you	19	electronic filed taxes?
20	personally go to the resident?	20	A Well, I am self-employed. I do it now, but
21	A Yes, you personally take them out of the closet	21	I am self-employed. I have my own EFIN number.
22	and give them to the resident. You take them from the	22	Q So you obviously must be pretty business
23	UPS man when he delivers them. And you put them up in	23	at this time of the year then, I would imagine with the
24	the closet. And then you take them out of the closet	24	taxes?
25	when the resident comes and you give it to them.	25	A Well, I am busy. I don't take on a big work load.
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1 2	or are you still doing electronic filing of taxes?	2	snowed prior to the December 2nd of 2007?
3	A Yes, I still do that.	3	A No.
4	Q Were you doing the refinancing?	4	Q No. Do you recall was it the day before
5	A When I first started work at Admiral Walk,	5	or maybe two weeks earlier, do you remember?
6	I was.	6	A No.
7	Q When did you stop, do you remember?	7	Q Was there snow on the ground when you arrived
8	A Maybe a year or so after.	8	at Circuit City?
9	Q Around 2005?	9	A A little.
10	A Yes.	10	Q A little?
11	Q What about your garage dry cleaning business,	11	A Yes, a little.
12	are you still running that today?	12	Q A few inches? Less than an inch?
13	A No. That is finished. I stopped that years	13	A No. No. Just a little. Just a dusting.
14	ago.	14	Q A dusting?
15	Q Years ago meaning?	15	A Yes.
16	A Meaning that was maybe 1997 or something like that,	16	Q Do you remember what the temperature was
17	or '98 or something like that.	17	approximately?
18	Q Okay. Let's move to December 2nd, 2007.	18	A No, I don't. Approximately in order for the snow
19	Do you remember that day?	19	to stick on the ground it had to be at least maybe 30.
20	A Yes.	20	Q So the snow was sticking?
21	Q Could you tell me what happened?	21	A Yes. Yes.
22	A I went to Circuit City. And I went to shop. And	22	Q Now, what were you going to Circuit City
23	then When I came out of the store I slipped down on the ice	23	for?
24	and fell.	24	A Shopping, electronics. I went to get I think I
25	Q Do you remember what time this was, what time	25	went to get some software.
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1	you first went to Circuit City?	1	Q Had you been to Circuit City before prior to
2	A The approximate time was maybe four or five o'clock.	2	December 2nd, 2007?
3	Q Was it dark outside when you first arrived,	3	A Yes. Sure.
4	I am talking about when you first got there?	4	Q How often had you been to the Circuit City?
5	A No.	5	A Court of Free Manage
6	C California light autoide dill?	1 -	A Quite a few times.
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3	Q Were there a lot of cars in the	3	more, you know.
4	parking lot, were there a lot of spaces filled up	4	Q Do you still have those shoes today?
5	well, strike that. Let me reword it.	5	A Yes.
6	Did you have to park far away?	6	Q Now, how long were you in the Circuit City
7	A No. No.	7	for?
8	Q Did you have any trouble driving your car in	8	A About fifteen minutes, twenty minutes, maybe about
9	the parking lot?	9	twenty minutes.
10	A No.	10	Q I am sorry. I believe you've testified to
11	Q So your car wasn't slipping or anything like	11	this earlier, and I apologize, but did you purchase
12	that?	12	anything?
13	A No.	13	A No. No. They didn't have the software that I
14	Q What about when you got out of your car	14	wanted.
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15	and you were walking to the Circuit City, did you have	15	Q Were you carrying anything into the store
16	any difficulty walking to the Circuit City?	16	with you?
17	A No difficulty walking to the Circuit City, no.	17	A No, I didn't carry anything in.
18	Q Did you see any snow or ice on the ground	18	Q So you had no bag or anything with you?
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20	A There was light snow on the ground when I was walking	20	Q Did you have a cell phone at that time?
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22	Q Now, was there light snow on the ground in the	22	Q Now, when you left the store did the weather
23	parking lot?	23	conditions change, did they change since you went into the
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1	MR. ZEMSKY: Let's make it easier. I am going	1	December 2nd, 2007?
2	to mark this as Exhibit Fouskey-1.	2	A Yes.
3	A There is no roof.	3	Q Is that a picture of the front of Circuit
4	Q Just let her type. There is no question	4	City?
5	pending.	5	A Yes.
6	A Okay.	6	Q Is that a picture, I guess, of the driveway in
7	(Whereupon, the document was marked.)	7	front of the Circuit City?
8	Q Now, Mr. Tierney is going to ask you some	8	A Yes.
9	questions before I continue.	9	Q And, I guess, when we were talking and we
10	CROSS EXAMINATION BY MR. TIERNEY:	10	were referring to earlier in the transcript, there is a
11	Q Sir, my name is John Tierney. I	11	walkway and, I guess, could you describe
12	represent Industriaplex. You've just indicated that	12	A He is using the walkway right now.
13	there was a little less than an inch?	13	Q So there is a gentleman in this picture that
14	A Yes.	14	is walking towards Circuit City?
15	Q Is that when you came out of the Circuit City?	15	A Yes.
16	A Let's see, when I came out.	16	Q And he is on the walkway in this picture?
17	Q So you were inside the Circuit City for	17	A Right. And I fell about right here.
18	fifteen to twenty minutes, during that time ice and snow	18	Q Let's mark an X with this red pen on where you
19	accumulated. Is that correct?	19	fell, if you can do that for me.
20	A Yes.	20	A (Witness indicates.)
21	Q When you came out there was approximately	21	Q You can make it bigger than that so
22	less than an inch of ice and snow in the entrance way as you	22	we can identify it. Okay.
23	came out of the Circuit City?	23	MR. TIERNEY: Let the record reflect that he
24	A It was a little more. When I went in, when I went	24	marked Fouskey-1 with a red mark.
25	in Circuit City, it was less than an inch. When I came	25	MR. ZEMSKY: Where he fell.
1	Page 27 out, it might have been close to an inch. It wasn't	1	Page 29 Q Who took this picture, by the way?
2	a lot of accumulation of snow, it wasn't.	2	A I did.
3	Q Did the ice accumulate from the icy	3	Q Do you remember when you took that picture?
4	patches that you've described when you went into the	4	A The next day.
5	store?	5	Q So December 3rd?
6	A Evidently, yes.	6	A Yes, the conditions were about the same.
7	Q So when you went into the store you	7	Q You read my mind, I was about to ask you
8	observed icy patches and when you came out there was	8	that.
9	a greater accumulation of ice as well?	9	A Yes, the conditions were about the same.
10	A It was like black ice. When I came out where	10	Q What was the purpose of taking that
11	I walked at, the ice wasn't that visible as being	11	picture?
12	patches of ice.	12	A The reason why I took that picture, so that I
13	Q Was the snow visible?	13	could explain I could explain and show exactly where
14	A Yeah. You could see a little snow, yeah.	14	I fell at. So that you would have an indication to
15	MR. TIERNEY: Thank you, Dan.	15	know and I could show you, just like I am doing now
16	MR. ZEMSKY: No problem.	16	exactly where I fell.
17	RE-DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. ZEMSKY:	17	Q Now, I see a car. I am horrible with
18	Q I am going to show you what has been marked	18	cars, but it is a SUV?
19	as Fouskey-1. Could you identify what is depicted in the	19	A Yes.
20	picture, please?	20	Q That seems like to be in the front of the
21	A What is depicted is the gentleman that is walking	21	entrance. Was that car
22	there.	22	A No.
23	Q Let's slow down. Is that Circuit City?	23	Q there on that day?
24	A Yes.	24	A No.
25	Q Is that the Circuit City that you went to on	25	Q Were there any cars parked like that?
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1	A No.	1	A No, I didn't make any purchase.
2	Q Were there any icicles that if you recall	2	Q Okay. So you were walking approximately
3	that were hanging from this, I guess, is this like a	3	ten feet, then describe exactly what happened?
4	A No, no icicles. I didn't see any icicles.	4	MR. TIERNEY: Just note my objection to the
5	Q Is this a roof? I am pointing to below the	5	form. I believe he said eight to ten feet.
6	City sign, is that a roof?	6	MR. ZEMSKY: What did I say?
7	A Well, it is a roof, but it don't cover. It only	7	MR. TIERNEY: Ten feet.
8	covers just the front there, but here is open. All of	8	MR. ZEMSKY: Eight to ten feet. I apologize.
9	this is open. It is open all the way up to when you	9	A When I walked I was cautious. And I didn't really
10	get to the door, it is open. All of that is open.	10	realize that it was as bad as it was. And when I stepped
11	Q Okay.	11	and I was making sure that when I walked through there
12	A This is ramped. That is ramped.	12	that when I stepped down I was looking where I was going
13	Q It inclines up?	13	and whatnot, and I just went and slipped.
14	A Yes, it is ramped. And that is the only way,	14	Q Why were you being cautious?
15	basically that is the way in and out of there.	15	A Because it was a light snow. So whenever there
16	Q That was going to be my next question, is	16	is a little snow, you know, the thing is to be
17	there any other entrances or exits from Circuit City?	17	cautious because you could fall.
18	A No.	18	Q Okay.
19	Q So the only entrance and exit ways are these	19	A You know, so that's it.
20	front doors that are depicted in this picture?	20	Q And you said, stepping down, were you going
21	A Right.	21	down a step?
22	Q Okay. I believe you've testified, and I	22	A No, it is
23	apologize, but you didn't see any icicles hanging from	23	Q a ramp?
24	any roofing or any walk or anything?	24	A That is a ramp.
25	A No. There were no icicles, no.	25	Q So you were doing a decline?
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2	Q What body part hit the ground first, do you	2	Q So how did you know that it was ice?
3	recall?	3	A When I stepped down on it, I know it had to be.
4	A My shoulder.	4	Q But you didn't actually physically see it?
5	Q Your shoulder, referring to your left	5	A I physically saw it, yes. I physically saw it.
6	shoulder?	6	Q Did it feel cold to the touch?
7	A Yes, the left shoulder, this shoulder.	7	A It was frozen.
8	Q Did anybody see you fall?	8	Q So the ground was cold when you were on the
9	A Five people helped pick me up, yeah. Yeah, people	9	ground?
10	saw me fall.	10	A Yes.
11	Q So were they customers or Circuit City	11	Q Did you see how far the ice extended?
12	employees?	12	A Yeah, it extended from here down the whole walkway.
13	A They were customers. The Circuit City employees	13	Q Why don't you make a red line and draw a
14	didn't even come out there for crying out loud. These	14	straight line from where you believe the ice extended and
15	were people that were shopping, they helped to get me	15	ended.
16	off of the ground because I couldn't get up. I fell	16	A All right. It extended down here.
17	pretty hard, so there was like maybe four people that	17	Q So it extended it looks like from what you are
18	pulled me up. Because I was still on the ice, so I really	18	saying, it extended to the driveway?
19	couldn't get up.	19	A Yeah.
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20	Q Now, did any of these four or five people say		It is hard to tell from the X, but were you in the middle of
21	anything to you, do you recall having any conversations with	21	·
22	them?	22	the ramp? The beginning of the ramp?
23	A No, not really.	23	A No, the beginning of the ramp.
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25	A Well, you know, the first thing people ask you,	23	coming from the store, you were at the beginning of the
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2	your left side?	2	A I am not sure.
3	A Yeah, that's all.	3	Q Okay. Now, you don't know if anybody reported
4	Q And then I believe you said four or five	4	this, your fall down to the
5	people helped you up. Correct?	5	A I did.
6	A Yes.	6	Q You did?
7	Q And what did you do thereafter?	7	A He asked me, he said would you like to give the
8	A Then I went back into the store.	8	information, give your information at the desk here.
9	Q What was the purpose of going back into the	9	He called up somebody from Circuit City's insurance
10	store?	10	company or whoever it was, because they called me back the
11	A And I sat down, because I was like, you know,	11	next day. So he asked me, would you like to give the
12	after 235 pounds hitting the ground, you know, like I	12	information, and so I gave the information. And he gave
13	was you know, I went in to sit down to get my	13	me a phone number.
14	composure.	14	Q What type of information?
15	Q Was there a seating area in the Circuit City?	15	A That I had fell. That I had just fell.
16	A Yes, when you go inside there is a — they have a	16	Q Did they make you fill out a form?
17	bench there inside. And so I went in and sat down. And	17	A It wasn't a form, no. I just filled out where I
18	one of the representatives of Circuit City came out	18	lived and my telephone number and whatnot.
19	well, he came over to me and asked me what happened.	19	Q Was it on a
20	Q Was he aware before he came over to you	20	A No. It wasn't on a formal piece of paper, no.
21	what happened, or was it he just happened to be out there	21	Q What was it on?
22	and asked you?	22	A Just on a piece of paper.
23	A I guess, he was a little aware of it, because	23	Q Like a blank piece of paper he gave you and he
24	four people were getting me off of the ground and they	24	said write down your information?
25	had the security guy at the door, so he should have been	25	A Yes.
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1 Q So anywhere between 4:30 and 5:30?	1 relieve the pain that night?
2 A Yes, maybe 5:30.	2 A No, I am not a take pill guy. I am not a guy that
3 Q Do you recall, did you guys have a	3 just swallows pills to make it go away like that, no.
4 conversation?	4 Q Do you first recall when you first sought
5 A No, he just asked me did I want to he asked me	5 treatment for your injury?
6 to give my information over the phone. He called someboo	·
7 and he asked me to give the information of where I lived	7 to my primary doctor.
8 and my telephone number and that is all.	8 Q Who is your primary doctor?
9 Q He didn't ask you about how you fell or	9 A Dr. Sharma. And he then sent me for X-rays.
10 anything like that?	10 Q Do you know what type of doctor Dr. Sharma
11 A No, he didn't get into details. But he knows that	11 is?
12 I fell. He didn't get into details about it.	12 A Yes, he is a regular doctor.
13 Q Did they offer to call you an ambulance or	13 Q He is like a family practitioner?
14 call the police or anything like that?	14 A Yes.
15 A No, he might have said how are you, you know.	15 Q Do you remember when you went to him?
16 No, I am not sure. I am not sure whether he offered.	16 A The next day.
17 He might have, but I am not sure.	17 Q So December 3rd?
18 Q But nevertheless, an ambulance did not come.	18 A Yes.
19 Correct?	19 Q Before we go into that, you said someone
20 A No, I didn't call an ambulance.	20 from Circuit City called you the following day?
21 Q Did the police come?	21 A From the office, yeah, someone called me. I don't
22 A No, I didn't call the ambulance and I didn't call the	22 know, did I give the lawyer the information maybe
23 police, because I didn't think that, you know, I was I	23 afterwards, that they had called me.
24 thought I was able to, you know, drive home, which I did.	24 Q It is okay. Just tell me what you've
25 Q So how long do you believe that you were	25 testified, tell me what happened?
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Page 1 sitting on the bench until you finally left the	Page 45 1 A They called me.
2 store?	2 Q They called you on December 3rd, 2007?
3 A I sat on the bench about fifteen to twenty minutes	3 A Yes, just to confirm that I had an accident there
4 Q Then you walked back out to your car?	4 and that is all.
5 A Yes, I went back out to the car.	5 Q Do you remember who called you from Circuit
6 Q And did you have any difficulty at that time	6 City?
7 walking to your car?	7 A No, I have it written down at home.
8 A I don't remember as far as difficulties, because I	8 Q Okay. Well, I will take a look and see if
9 don't remember.	9 we have it and if we don't I will ask your attorney for
10 Q But you made it without falling again, is that	10 it.
11 fair to say?	11 A I have it written down.
12 A I didn't fall again, no.	12 Q But they identified themselves you
13 Q And then you were able to drive home?	13 believe being from the insurance company, Circuit City's
14 A Yes.	14 insurance company you said?
15 Q How far did you live? You lived in Clifton.	15 A Yes, the people that handle when you have an
16 Correct?	16 accident or something there, those are the people that
17 A Yes, fifteen minutes.	17 called me.
18 Q Fifteen minutes. This is in Wayne. Right?	18 Q Okay. What, in fact, did they ask
19 A In Wayne. I live in Clifton.	19 you?
20 Q How did you feel that night?	20 A To confirm that I had fell. You know, that they
21 A Sore, my shoulder was hurting.	21 knew that I had fell.
22 Q Did you tell anybody what happened when yo	
23 got home?	23 how you fell?
	1 23 HOW YOU ICH:
	24 A I don't remember.
24 A My wife. 25 Q Did you take anything or do anything to help	I '

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1	A Five minutes.	1	Q Somewhere between December 3rd and December
2	Q Was that the last time that you heard from	2	4th and December 5th?
3	them or did they call you another time?	3	A Yes.
4	A It was another time, I think they might have	4	Q Do you remember where you got the MRI?
5	wrote a letter, but that was weeks later. They might	5	A I think I got the MRI at Clifton Image.
6	have sent me something.	6	Q And did you find out the results of the
7	Q Do you remember what that letter said?	7	MRI?
8	A Just to confirm that I had fell there, and that is	8	A Yes.
9	all.	9	Q What was your understanding of what the
10	Q Do you still have that letter?	10	results were?
11	A I probably do.	11	A That the rotator cuff was torn.
12	Q Well, I would just ask you to take a look for	12	Q Have you ever torn your rotator cuff
13	it and I will ask your attorney for it.	13	before?
14	A All right.	14	A No.
15	Q Was that the only other time that someone from	15	Q Had you ever injured your left shoulder
16	Circuit City contacted you?	16	before?
17	A Yes.	17	A No.
18	Q So there was one telephone call the day	18	Q What hand are you dominant with, are you a
19	after the accident and there was a letter a few weeks	19	lefty or a righty?
20	after the accident?	20	A I am dominant with the right hand.
21	A Yes.	21	Q So after you found out that you had a torn
22	Q And that was the last time that you heard from	22	rotator cuff, what did you do?
23	them?	23	A Well, I went for physical therapy.
24	A The last time I heard from them.	24	Q Do you remember where?
25	Q Let's get back to you saw Dr. Sharma the	25	A In Clifton on Clifton Avenue. I don't remember
23	Q Let's get back to you saw Dr. Sharma the		A THE CHILD IN CHILD IN A YOUNG. I BOTTE TO HIS HIS INC.
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1	Page 47 next day on December 3rd, and I believe you have testified	1	Page 49 the name exactly.
2	he recommended to get an X-ray?	2	Q Do you remember how long you went for?
3	A Yes.	3	A I went for a couple of months.
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4	Q Did you, in fact, get that X-ray?	5	
5	A Yes.	ĺ	
6	Q Where did you go?	6	Q Did you go for your shoulder only?
7	A I went to, I think I went to Wayne General.	7	A Yes.
8	Q Did you that day?	8	Q How did the physical therapy work out for you?
9	A Yes.	9	A It wasn't good.
10	Q Do you remember what the X-ray said?	10	Q So you went for a few weeks for a few
11	A I went to Wayne I am not sure whether I went to	11	months? I am sorry.
12	Wayne General or on Broadway.	12	A It wasn't working.
13	Q But what did they take an X-ray of?	13	Q It wasn't working?
14	A The shoulder.	14	A To me it was hurting. It was still hurting.
15	Q Do you remember what	15	Q And then what did you do thereafter?
16	A Well, he took an X-ray of the shoulder and he	16	A Then I went to Dr. Pizzillo and he checked and
17	said that they saw some damage. But he said that you	17	he said it was getting worse, the burs or something that
18	have to take a MRI in order for them to see. Because	18	was in there. So I said, well you know, he recommended
19	he says an X-ray is not going to show that much.	19	that get it operated on and sewn up.
20	Q So they recommended that you get a MRI?	20	Q That was the first time you saw Dr. Pizzillo?
21	A Yes.	21	A No, I think I saw Dr. Pizzillo before I went for the
22	Q Did you, in fact, get a MRI?	22	therapy I saw him.
23	A Yes, I did.	23	Q Dr. Pizzillo doesn't work with Dr. Sharma,
24	Q Do you remember when you got the MRI?	24	does he?
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25	A Maybe a day or two after I had the X-ray.	25	A No. He said to try therapy.
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2	A Yes.	2	A I went there for a couple of months.
3	Q And then when it didn't work out, you came	3	Q A couple of months. You got the surgery
4	back and he said you should go for surgery?	4	in the summer, did you start physical therapy in the
5	A Yes.	5	fall?
6	Q And I take it, you did have surgery. Correct?	6	A Yeah.
7	A I did.	7	Q And how long did you go?
8	Q Do you remember when you had surgery?	8	A I went there a couple of months.
9	A I don't remember the exact date. It is July	9	Q So into the new year, into 2008?
10	something.	10	A I think it was in 2008.
11	Q Was it of 2007?	11	Q And how often did you go?
12	A Yes.	12	A I was going twice a week.
13	Q Okay. Was it a one-day procedure?	13	Q Twice a week. Now, did it work or was it
14	A Yes.	14	helping you?
15	Q So you were in and out that day?	15	A No. Well, it helped me a little bit. I still
16	A Yes.	16	feel pain or whatnot, so I stopped going. And not only
17	Q Where did you go to have the procedure done?	17	that, the insurance company, they said they wasn't going
18	A Englewood Hospital. I think it was in the	18	to pay no more.
19	hospital. It might have been I don't know if it was	19	Q So you stopped going because; A, it wasn't
20	in the hospital or in something that was associated with	20	helping; B, they weren't going to cover you anymore?
21	the hospital. Dr. Pizzillo did it.	21	A No.
22	Q Dr. Pizzillo performed the surgery?	22	Q Who is your insurance company?
23	A Yes.	23	A Horizon.
24	Q What time did you arrive, you arrived in the	24	Q Horizon. Now, when you left physical therapy,
25	morning?	25	did you continue to do your own type of therapy?
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1	A I think it was in the morning.	1	A I did therapy at home.
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1	you fell or a month of work after your surgery?
2	A After the surgery. Because before that what I
3	did was, I had pain and everything, but you know, I am
4	right-handed so I did mostly everything with my right
5	hand.
6	Q So you sucked it up?
7	A Yes.
8	Q Were you on your regular schedule?
9	A Well, it wasn't the regular schedule because
10	normally I could fill in first shift, second shift.
11	But after the accident, I couldn't do first and
12	second because you have to handle the parcels. So you
13	have got to be able to lift your hand up high to get them
14	off of the top shelf and I couldn't do it. I just stuck
15	to doing the third shift.
16	Q What is the third shift?
17	A Twelve to eight, and mostly everything is gone then.
18	Q Is that the graveyard shift twelve at night to
19	eight in the morning?
20	A Yes.
21	Q And you did that about two or three days a
22	week?
23	A Yes.
24	Q About twenty to twenty-five hours a week?
25	A Yes.
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1	Q So your hours didn't change, it was just
2	the time that you worked might have changed.

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          I don't remember.
               Okay. I am going to show what has been
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    marked Fouskey-2. I would ask you to turn to the last
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    page and tell me if that is your signature, please?
          Sure.
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               Could you just review this document, the whole
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    thing, and let me know if you recall answering those
    questions. You can turn to the front page and look at
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    everything.
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          Oh, yeah, I have no problem with that.
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               So you remember answering them. I don't
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    want to know any conversation that you had with your
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    attorney about answering those, but do you remember
    looking at these and reviewing them and executing them,
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    meaning the answers to interrogatories that you signed
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    your name to?
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          Yeah. Yeah. These are right.
               So you recognize those?
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          Yes.
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               And you did, in fact, answer them?
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          Yeah.
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              MR. TIERNEY: Is that a "yes", sir?
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Did you sometimes work graveyard hour 3 4 shifts — I know I had asked you about twenty 5 different questions -- strike that. Before you fell on the December 2nd, 2007, 6 had you ever worked the graveyard shift before? 7 Yeah. Yes. Yes. 8 Α 9 Q But you also worked other shifts? 10 Other shifts. But basically I confined it to the graveyard shift because I don't have to handle any boxes 11 or anything. Before that, they called me and I could 12 come in and I could do first or second shift. But after 13 14 that, they like rescheduled me so I could just come in 15 twelve to eight and I wouldn't have to be handling any packages or anything. 16

> MR. ZEMSKY: Could we go off the record for one (A discussion is held off the record.)

MR. ZEMSKY: Back on the record. I am going to mark this as Fouskey-2.

(At which time the document was marked.)

Mr. Fouskey, do you remember filling out answers to interrogatories at one point with your attorney for this litigation, answering a bunch of

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THE WITNESS: Yes. Yes.

2 I am going to turn your attention to Number 10.

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Α Yes.

Now, I will also show you the Form A Questions 5 to Interrogatories, which correspond to those answers. 6

Now, we don't have it separate, so I am going

to be showing you Form A out of the Rule Book, the 2008 Rule 8 Book. If you turn to Question 10 and you see how it says 9 10 Question 10 and you went (a) Admiral Walk, River Road,

11 Edgewater?

12 Yes.

13 Q Now, if you read the question to Number 10, if you could read that question to us out loud. 14

15 If employed at the time of the accident state name 16 and address of employer, position held and nature of work performed, average weekly wages for past year, period of 17 18 time lost from employment giving dates and amount of wages

19 lost, if any.

20 Now, if you look at (d) you said December 2nd, 2007 to August 10, 2008. Now, that was your answer to (d). 21

22 Right. So if you look at the question, period of

23 time lost from employment, giving the dates.

Now, I believe you've testified a few minutes 24 25 ago that you only lost one month of employment. Is that

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1	correct?	1	don't get paid?		
2	A Yes.	2	A No, I only get paid when I go to work because I am		
3	Q So in your answers to interrogatories you	3	F		
4	state that you lost work from December 2nd, 2007?	4	,		
5	A Okay. This could be explained.	5	second. Your missed work was on July 14th, 2008 to		
6	Q Okay.	6	August 10th, 2008. Correct, sir?		
7	A In the beginning I gave the lawyer a date, but	7	THE WITNESS: Yes.		
8	then afterwards my wife and I, we looked it over.	8	MR. TIERNEY: Meaning, it is the summer after		
9	THE WITNESS: And I don't know if I, you know,	9	your accident of December 2nd, 2007.		
10	spoke to you or not.	10	MR. ZEMSKY: That is a good point.		
11	A That it was really a month that was lost.	11	MR. TIERNEY: From the accident, it is seven or		
12	Q That is fine.	12	eight months after. Correct?		
13	A That is all.	13	THE WITNESS: When I had the operation. I		
14	Q I am going to show you what we will mark as	14	missed it because of the operation. I didn't miss		
15	Fouskey-3.	15	time because		
16	A Yes, so that is, you know	16	MR. TIERNEY: I am just clarifying the date.		
17	MS. NUNNO DICHIARA: Wait for the question.	17	THE WITNESS: Yes.		
18	Q Wait for the question. There is not a	18	MS. NUNNO DiCHIARA: You had said 2007 before		
19	question. I will give you every opportunity to address it.	19	mistaking the year.		
20	MS. NUNNO DiCHIARA: Off the record.	20	THE WITNESS: I don't know. But it was after		
21	(A discussion is held off the record.)	21	the surgery.		
22	MR. ZEMSKY: Back on the record.	22	Q Okay.		
23	(Whereupon, the document was marked.)	23	A Before that, no. Like you said, I sucked it up.		
24	Q Mr. Fouskey, I am going to show	24	Q Just for the record, it does say 2007. So		
25	you what has been marked Fouskey-3. This was a letter that	25	that is really 2008, which would make more sense		
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1	Page 59 I received from your Counsel. Now, I understand you	1	Page 61 because I know your surgery was in 2008 and this happened		
2	probably have never seen this document before and that is	2	December of 2007.		
3	fine. But let me know if Paragraph 2 is accurate. And you	3	So for the record I know the document says		
4	could read it out loud for the record.	4	2007, but that is a typo. You missed work from July 14th,		
5	A This seems to be accurate.	5	2008 to August 10th, 2008. Correct?		
6	Q Just read it out loud for the record,	6	A (No verbal response.)		
7	Paragraph 2.	7	Q You have to say yes. Is that a "yes"?		
8	A As to the plaintiff's wage loss he was out of	8	A Yes.		
9	work from July 14th to August 10th due to injuries	9	Q So this letter that I received from your		
10	he sustained in this accident. His wage loss is	10	attorney has a typo with the year. Correct?		
11	\$1240.00. I have attached plaintiff's W-2 forms from	11	A Okay. Yes.		
12	2006 and 7. Please accept this amendment to plaintiff's	12	Q So it is really 2008?		
13	answers to interrogatories.	13	A Yes.		
14	Q That is fine. You can stop from there.	14	Q And I am sorry, before we went into that		
15	A Yeah. Yes. So she did change it, because I	15	you said you don't get paid unless you show up for work.		
15	told her that was wrong.	16	Correct?		
17	Q That is fine. That is fine. I just wanted	17	A Correct.		
18	to get the record clear that you only lost work from	18	Q Did you receive any health insurance		
19	July 14th, 2007 until August 10th, 2007?	19	or anything like through your employer?		
20	A Right.	20	A No, part-time don't get nothing. Part-time don't get		
21	Q And the wages that you lost because you didn't	21	health, only full-time help.		
22	go to work were \$1240.00?	22	Q Does your wife work?		
23	A Right.	23	A Yes.		
24	Q So if you don't show up to work, you	24	Q Where does she work?		
25	don't have a sick day or something like that and you	25	A She is a schoolteacher in Paterson.		
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Page 62 1 Q Are you under her plan? 2 A Insurance-wise, yes. 3 Q And she is the one that has Horizon? 4 A Yes. 5 Q Now, when you missed that month of work, 6 did you go on disability? 7 A No. 8 Q Are you on Social Security? 9 A Yes. 1 the whole area. Where I slipped at, would have been the 2 size of half of the table, where I slipped. 3 Q Would you estimate that to be approximately 4 four to five feet by six feet? 5 A Yes, where I slipped at. 6 Q Is that yes? 7 A That is yes, the part that I slipped on. 8 Q Okay. Do you have a specific personal 9 knowledge of when that snow and ice condition occurred on 10 the specific ramp that you fell on?
2 A Insurance-wise, yes. 3 Q And she is the one that has Horizon? 4 A Yes. 5 Q Now, when you missed that month of work, 6 did you go on disability? 7 A No. 8 Q Are you on Social Security? 9 A Yes. 2 size of half of the table, where I slipped. 3 Q Would you estimate that to be approximately 4 four to five feet by six feet? 5 A Yes, where I slipped at. 6 Q Is that yes? 7 A That is yes, the part that I slipped on. 8 Q Okay. Do you have a specific personal 9 knowledge of when that snow and ice condition occurred on
3 Q Would you estimate that to be approximately 4 A Yes. 5 Q Now, when you missed that month of work, 6 did you go on disability? 7 A No. 8 Q Are you on Social Security? 9 A Yes. 3 Q Would you estimate that to be approximately 4 four to five feet by six feet? 5 A Yes, where I slipped at. 6 Q Is that yes? 7 A That is yes, the part that I slipped on. 8 Q Okay. Do you have a specific personal 9 knowledge of when that snow and ice condition occurred on
3 Q Would you estimate that to be approximately 4 A Yes. 5 Q Now, when you missed that month of work, 6 did you go on disability? 7 A No. 8 Q Are you on Social Security? 9 A Yes. 3 Q Would you estimate that to be approximately 4 four to five feet by six feet? 5 A Yes, where I slipped at. 6 Q Is that yes? 7 A That is yes, the part that I slipped on. 8 Q Okay. Do you have a specific personal 9 knowledge of when that snow and ice condition occurred on
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8 Q Are you on Social Security? 8 Q Okay. Do you have a specific personal 9 A Yes. 9 knowledge of when that snow and ice condition occurred on
9 A Yes. 9 knowledge of when that snow and ice condition occurred on
12 A About 18, about \$1800.00 or something like that. 12 Q Now, once again, I am going to ask that
13 Q How do you feel today? 13 you refer to I believe it is Fouskey-2.
14 A Just sitting here like I am now, I feel all right. 14 MR. ZEMSKY: The picture?
15 Q What are the things that you can't do now 15 MR. TIERNEY: No, the answers to
16 that you could do prior to December 2nd, 2007, because of 16 interrogatories.
17 your injury? 17 MR. ZEMSKY: That is Fouskey-2.
18 A Well, maintenance around the house. Like these 18 MR. TIERNEY: May I approach, Alisa?
19 ceiling tiles if I was to take it out and put it back in, 19 MS. NUNNO DiCHIARA: Sure.
20 after doing it I would have pain, which I didn't have 20 MR. TIERNEY: Where is the pen?
21 before, you know. And I would have to stop and wait and 21 MR. ZEMSKY: Off the record.
22 then go back to doing it. I have pain reaching and 22 (A discussion is held off the record.)
23 sometimes in sleeping at night in certain positions. 23 MR. TIERNEY: Back on the record.
24 Q Anything else? 24 Q Okay. Reading from the 2008 Edition of
25 A That is basically it. 25 the Rules Governing the Court, Appendix II, Interrogatory
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1 Q I am sorry. 1 Forms, Form A. I am going to ask you to read number 9
2 A That is basically it. 2 and read it slowly so the court reporter understands
3 Q I have no more questions. Thank you. 3 each word, number 9, sir.
4 A My wife said she was deprived for a couple of months 4 A If a previous injury, disease, illness or
5 and she said what about her, 5 condition is claimed to have been aggravated, accelerated
6 RE-CROSS EXAMINATION BY MR. TIERNEY: 6 or exacerbated, specify in detail the nature of each and
7 Q Sir, once again, name is John Tierney. I 7 the name and present address of each health care provider,
8 represent Industriaplex in this accident. Do you 8 if any, who ever provided treatment for the condition.
9 know what company Industriaplex is? 9 Q Okay. Looking at Fouskey-2, which you
10 A No, I don't. I really don't know exactly, no. 10 have identified as your answers to uniform interrogatories.
11 Q Okay. The ice and snow condition that 11 Correct?
12 you've indicated that you slipped on at the Circuit City, 12 A Yes.
13 can you describe the dimension of this ice and snow patch 13 Q Looking at number 9, what is the answer
14 in terms of feet? Inches? 14 to corresponding number 9 in your answers to
15 A In dimension, let's see to describe it, I don't 15 interrogatories?
16 know, maybe almost the size of this table, that area. 16 A It says no.

Your answer to that question number 9 on Form Q A is still no? 24

Okay. And that would be true?

know when you are finished, sir.

You have got to give me the question again.

Form A, number 9, read that to yourself again and let me

Please read once again from the Appendix II,

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that area that had ice on it was a little more than half the

little more than half the size of this table would be

approximately a snow and ice patch of four to five feet

So would you agree with me, sir, that a

I can't say the whole area had the snow and ice,

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1	Q Would you like to clarify that answer?	1	immediately after the accident to that area?		
2	A All right. Aggravated, I didn't say any — I never	2	A After a couple of days you could see bruising.		
3	said anything was aggravated.	3	Q But not in the first day, agreed?		
4	Q Accelerated or exacerbated, you are saying	4	4 A No, in the first day, I didn't see much. After I		
5	that no injury, condition or illness was aggravated,	5	5 could see bruising there, in a couple of days.		
6	exacerbated or accelerated?	6			
7	A No. Basically I said no.	7	7 whatsoever on the date of the accident. True?		
8	Q So your answer on Fouskey-2 for number 9 being	8	A On the day of the accident?		
9	no, is correct, would you agree with that?	9	Q Yes.		
10	A Yeah, basically no.	10	A No.		
11	Q Okay. You seem to be hedging.	11	Q Now, I want to be specific, did you		
12	A Because I — there is nothing — there is basically	12	ever have any complaints or pain to any part of your		
13	nothing that, any condition that, you know, that I am	13	left shoulder prior to the accident of December 2nd,		
14	claiming to have that it was aggravated. I am just	14	2007?		
15	concerned with what happened when I fell.	15	A No.		
16	Q So you are saying that there is no prior	16	Q Did you ever have any injury or stiffness		
17	condition to your left shoulder that was aggravated?	17	to any part of your left shoulder prior to the accident		
18	A Oh, no, because I never had nothing. No, my left	18	of December 2nd, 2007?		
19	shoulder, no.	19	A No.		
20	Q You mean, no, you are claiming that it was	20	Q Did you ever have any prior complaints,		
21	aggravated. Correct? Do you understand the question?	21	pain or stiffness to the front of your left shoulder		
22	Let me withdraw the question.	22	before the injury of December 2nd, 2007?		
23	A I didn't have no previous injury to my shoulder to be	23	A No.		
24	aggravated.	24	Q Did you have any prior complaints, pain		
25	Q That is what I am asking you?	25	or stiffness to the outside or far left of your left		
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1	A Yes.	1	shoulder before the injury?		
2	O So your answer to number 9 is if I was going	2	A No.		

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1	A Yes.				
2	Q So your answer to number 9 is if I was going				
3	to explain it out further, no, I did not have a prior				
4	illness, condition or injury to my left shoulder that was				
5	aggravated, accelerated or exacerbated, agreed?				
6	A Yes, I guess. Agreed as far as I had no problem				
7	with my left shoulder.				
8	Q Prior to the accident?				
9	A Prior to the accident I had no problem with it, so				
10	I would have to say I had no problem with my shoulder.				
11	Q Okay. When you had this month's time off				
12	after the surgery, did you use any vacation time or were				
13	you entitled to any vacation time?				
14	A No. Part-time, there is no vacation.				
15	Q Have you received payment of money from				
16	any source as result of your injury to your left shoulder				
17	in this case?				
18	A No.				
19	Q Did you apply for disability?				
20	A No.				
21	Q Now, you've indicated that the first part				
22	of your body to fall and strike the ground on				
23	December 2nd, 2007, was your left shoulder?				

Did you suffer any bruising or swelling

Yes,

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prior to the accident? No. Did you ever have any history of weakness or clicking in your left shoulder prior to the accident? No. Did you have any prior accidents or injuries to your left shoulder at any time before the

or stiffness to the back or rear of your left shoulder

Did you have any prior complaints, pain

10 11 accident of December 2nd, 2007? 12 13 No.

14 Q Prior to and on the date of the accident, December 2nd 2007, did you ever have any prior medical 15 history which would have affected your focus or attention in proceeding on the date of the accident? 17 18 No.

19 On the date of the accident, were you taking any medications which could have affected your 20 focus or attention? 21

22 No. You are right hand dominant, agreed, sir? 23 Q 24 A Yes. 25 Q Did you have any problems or difficulty

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1 2	Page 7 in walking whatsoever, prior to the date of December 2nd, 2007?
3	A No.
4	Q Did you have any problem with dexterity in
5	walking prior to the accident date?
6	A No.
7	Q Did you have any problems with feeling
8	in your legs or feet prior to the accident of December 2nd?
9	A No.
10	Q After you underwent your surgery, do you
11	recall the specific instructions given to you for your
12	shoulder to heal properly?
13	A The instruction was to wear a sling, which I did,
14	that I was in.
15	Q Did you follow those instructions strictly?
16	A Yes.
17	Q So you were instructed to wear a sling?
18	A I was instructed to wear a sling and take the
19	antibiotic that he had prescribed for me and I did all
20	of that.
21	Q You followed those rules strictly, agreed?
22	A Yes.
23	Q Did you do anything against the instructions
24	to allow the shoulder to heal at any time?
25	A No.

I don't remember him asking me. You don't remember that? No. Q Do you remember being offered examples of such activities or hobbies that you could not or may not be able to perform as of December 5th, 2007, such as gardening or sports, do you remember being asked that? No. Q Do you recall replying no, to the question whether there were any activities or hobbies that you could not perform as of December 5th, 2007, because of pain or injury? No, I don't remember him asking me. Q Okay. MR. TIERNEY: I am going to ask that a five-page document dated December 5th, entitled Orthopedic Associates be marked as Fouskey-4, I believe. And I will show them to Alisa. (Whereupon, the document was marked.) Sir, I am showing you Fouskey-4. The first page of Fouskey-4 where the sticker marked Fouskey-4 is located, do you recognize the handwriting on that? Yes.

date because of pain or injury?

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1 Did you try to use your shoulder earlier than 2 what was directed to you? 3 Α No. 4 Q Were you diagnosed with arthritis to any 5 part of your body prior to the accident date of December 2nd, 2007? 6 7 Yes. Α 8 Q What body part? 9 My back. Α 10 What parts of your back? Q 11 Α The lower disk. 12 That is the only arthritis that was 13 indicated by a doctor prior to the accident date, was your lower back? 14 15 Α Yes. 16 Q Okay. Do you recall treating a couple of days after the accident on December 5th, 2007, with a 17 18 Dr. Greenblum? 19 Yeah, I remember Dr. Greenblum. Α 20 Specifically, Orthopedic Associates on 21 Broadway in Fair Lawn, do you remember that? Yes. Yes. 22 Α

Do you recall being asked by Dr. Greenblum's

office on December 5th, 2007, whether there were any

activities or hobbies that you could not perform as of that

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25 Q Whose handwriting is that? Page 73 This here? 1 Α 2 Yes, on the first page of Fouskey-4. 3 This handwriting is Dr. Sharma's, I guess. Α 4 Q That is not your handwriting on page 1 of Fouskey-4, agreed? No, it is not. 6 7 The signature on the bottom of the second 8 page of Fouskey-4, that is you as well. Right? 9 No. 10 The third page of Fouskey-4, do you recognize any of the handwriting whatsoever on this 11 page, and the top of this third page says cc colon, that is 12 13 how it begins, do you recognize any of the handwriting on that paper? 14 15 Α No. 16 0 How about down? Yeah, I recognize that. That is mine. 17 So immediately below the script handwriting 18 on top of the third page of Fouskey-4 there indicates 19 history form and then there is your name and the 20 21 date? 22 Right. Α Did you fill that out? 23 24 I filled this out, yeah. Α 25 So you filled out the portion below history

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1	form on this third page?	1	A Yes.
2	A · Um-hum.	2	Q So would you agree that 12/5, although it
3	Q Is that a "yes", sir?	3	is omitted, it is probably 2007?
4	A Yes.	4	A Yes, it would be.
5	Q Okay. Now, the fourth page of Fouskey-4,	5	Q So that would be three days after the
6	do you see the handwriting where it says, X-ray where?	6	accident, agreed?
7	A Yeah, I filled that out.	7	MR. ZEMSKY: If you look at the next page, it
8	Q St. Joseph's in Wayne, agreed?	8	does say 12/5/07.
9	A Right.	9	MR. TIERNEY: Okay.
10	Q And on the bottom of that page it says,	10	Q The signature line on the next page is
11	if you are over 50 years old have you ever had a bone	11	dated 12/5/07, agreed?
12	density test, if yes, when and it indicates no, agreed?	12	A Yeah.
13	A No, yes.	13	MR. ZEMSKY: And on the history form as well on
14	Q Did you fill out that page?	14	the next page.
15	A Yes, I filled it out, sir.	15	MR. TIERNEY: Okay.
16	Q Okay. The last page of Fouskey-4 begins,	16	Q When is the last time that you took any
17	does your neck pain or back pain go into your arms or	17	prescription pain medication as a result of your surgery or
18	legs, underneath that can you read the next lines and	18	pain to your shoulder?
19	your answer slowly so the court reporter can hear	19	A The last time I took pain medication, I took some
20	it?	20	I take Aleve.
21	A Does your neck pain neck or back pain	21	Q When is the last time that you took
22	Q Go into your, circle arms or legs, and nothing	22	prescription pain medication as a result of this
23	is filled out, agreed?	23	incident?
24	A No, because	24	A I haven't taken any prescription pain medication
25	Q I am just asking if that part is filled out.	25	since after I came out of the hospital.
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1	It is not. Right?	1	Q So approximately July of 2008?
2	A No. My back pain	2	A Yes.
3	MS. NUNNO DICHIARA: Wait for the question.	3	Q When is the last time that you took an
4	Q Wait for the question. Sir, the neck or back	4	over-the-counter pain medication as a result of your left
5	pain, you didn't circle either one, agreed?	5	shoulder injury or complaint?
6	A Yeah.	6	A I don't know, I take Aleve. But I don't take it
7	Q Okay. What I am asking you to read very	7	
8	slowly for the court reporter to hear is the next line		unless I am really falling out. I don't take pills.
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2	Q Yes?	2	A Yes.		
3	A Yes.	3	MR. TIERNEY: I call for production of all		
4	Q Okay. Just to go back for a moment, have	4	photographs taken by Mr. Fouskey of the alleged		
5	you ever been convicted of a crime at any time in your	5			
6	life?	6	MS. NUNNO DICHIARA: Okay. I don't know if I		
7	A (No verbal response.)	7	have anything.		
8	Q That is a "no"? You are shaking your head	8	MR. TIERNEY: I just call for the production.		
9	no?	9	Q Would you be willing to give them to your		
10	A No. No.	10	attorney, the other photos?		
11	Q Okay. It is just a question and we ask it	11	A Sure.		
12	every day.	12	Q The other photos that you described, were they		
13	A No, this is the biggest crime right here. No, I have	13	also taken on the same day as Fouskey-1?		
14	never been convicted of a crime.	14	A Yes.		
15	Q Have you ever filed any other personal injury	15	Q So the day after the accident?		
16	lawsuits other than this case?	16	A Yes.		
17	A No.	17	Q Okay. Now, when is the last time		
18	Q Have you ever filed any other claims for	18	that you actually treated at a medical facility for your		
19	personal injury that didn't go into a lawsuit for personal	19	left shoulder?		
20	injuries?	20	A Now, when you say "treated at a medical facility",		
21	A No.	21	the last time that I went to the doctor for my left		
22	Q Have you ever gone by any other names other	22	shoulder?		
23	than your current name?	23	Q Yes.		
24	A No.	24	A I went to Dr. Pizzillo after I had the operation last		
25	Q Okay. You are not aware of the names of any	25	year. I don't know the exact date.		
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- 2 Q Did you see Dr. Pizzillo at any time in
 - December of 2008, meaning last Christmas season or holiday season?
- 5 A I am not sure about that either. No, I am not sure.
- 6 Q Your best estimate, do you think it was
- 7 before December of 2008 the last time that you saw him?
- 8 A It might have been, yes.
- 9 Q Now, you've indicated you have your wife's
- 10 insurance due to her position as a schoolteacher?
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q And that is Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield?
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 Q Did Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield cover all
- 15 of your expenses medically in this case?
- 16 A Basically, yes. Well, yes, they did.
- 17 Q Are you aware whether Medicare paid anything
- 18 for your medical treatment in this case?
- 19 A Medicare makes them the primary. So Medicare,
- 20 being that they are the primary, I don't know if Medicare
- 21 paid anything. They might have paid something.
- 22 Q Are you aware whether or not any lien was
- 23 asserted against any settlement for a verdict in this case
- 24 by Medicare to repay any expenses paid by Medicare?
- 25 A I don't know. I turned it in to Medicare, you know,

- 1 groceries, but I have to use mainly the right hand.
 - 2 Because even when I went for therapy, like they tested

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- 3 it and I can't support a lot with the left hand.
- 4 Q On the date of your accident, you didn't
- take any pain pills on the date of the accident, agreed?A No. The first day of the accident?
 - Q Yes.
- 8 A No.

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- 9 Q Okay. Now, you also indicated that you 10 went back to the scene of the accident at Circuit City the
- 11 day after the accident on 12/3/07. Right?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q What time of the day did you go back to take 14 the photographs in this case?
- 15 A Maybe in the afternoon.
- Q Okay. Did you go to take the photographsof the Circuit City before or after you sought medical
- 18 treatment on December 3rd, if you recall?
- 19 A I have might have taken the pictures. I don't
- 20 remember. I really don't remember.
- Q So you might have taken the photographs including Fouskey-1, before you sought medical treatment?
- 23 A I am not sure.
- 24 Q Now, you said approximately five people helped
- 25 you up?

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- to make sure they had the two insurances. I made sure that
- 2 I wouldn't be -- they wouldn't be harassing me.
- 3 Q So for your medical providers you supplied
 - to them or you applied for both Horizon Blue Cross Blue
- 5 Shield coverage and Medicare?
- 6 A The way it is I give them both. I give them the
- 7 primary and I give them the other. Where they get the
- 8 money from, that is up to them.
- 9 Q Okay. What activities do you do socially
- 10 now, physically socially?
- 11 A I don't do a lot of activities now. I used to
- 12 bowl.

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- 13 Q You used to bowl before the accident?
- 14 A Yeah, I used to bowl.
- 15 Q How often did you bowl before the accident?
- 16 A Maybe once or twice a month.
- 17 Q Okay. When is the last time that you
- 18 bowled?
- 19 A I just haven't been in the last year or so.
- 20 Q So would you agree that your complaints or
- 21 injuries in this case do not stop you from bowling, you just
- 22 haven't --
- 23 A No. No. I just know that I can't support a lot
- 24 of weight with this here arm now. I do know that. Because
- 25 even now when my wife goes shopping I will carry the

- 1 A No, I didn't -- oh, okay.
 - 2 Q Do you need to clarify your prior answer?
 - 3 A Yeah, my answer was that I sought medical treatment,
 - but the pictures had nothing to do with that.
 - 5 Q I understand. I am just asking you
 - 6 chronologically whether you took the photos before or
 - 7 after you sought medical treatment on December 3rd?
 - 8 A No, I don't know. I am not sure.
 - 9 Q You've indicated previously that five people
- 10 helped you up after the fall?
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q Were they surrounding you in helping you up?
- 13 A Well, one -- yeah. Yeah, to help me up, yeah.
- 14 Q Well, to physically assist you to get up
- 15 they would have to be around your body?
- 16 A Yes, they were.
- 17 Q Did any of those five people fall?
- 18 A Those five people weren't on the ice.
- 19 Q Well, they had to pick you up from the
- 20 location you fell?
- 21 A Yes, I was on the ice and they weren't. Because
- 22 they hadn't been -- if they had been on -- if I hadn't
- 23 been on the ice, I wouldn't have fell. I would have managed
- 24 to get up myself.
- 25 Q Sir, I am not asking what you could have

- 1 done or what you might have done. I am asking you, were
- 2 there five people surrounding you and touching you to assist
- 3 you to get up?
- 4 A Yes.
- 5 Q And none of them slipped. Right?
- 6 A No, they were standing behind me. They weren't7 standing on the ice.
- 8 Q Okay. One moment, please. Now, you also
- 9 indicated that the reason why you took the photographs
- 10 including Fouskey-1, was that so you could explain and show
- 11 exactly where you fell?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q And that was on December 3rd, 2007?
- 14 A Yes.
- 15 Q Okay. Would you agree then that you were
- 16 considering filing a personal injury lawsuit the day after
- 17 the accident?
- 18 A I was considering making sure that the hospital bills
- 19 got paid, because when I went to the hospital when I went to
- 20 get treatment, they wanted to know what happened. So I told
- 21 them, I fell down on the ice at Circuit City.
- 22 Q Who did you intend to show the photograph
- 23 Fouskey-1 and others to?
- 24 A Well, I intended to show that to the lawyer, or
- 25 either them there.

- 1 activities like that?
- 2 A Before the accident I did mostly all of the
- 3 maintenance in my house. Like I got about -- I had to have
- 4 something done to my dishwasher. And before I had taken the

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- 5 ceiling tiles out. And after the accident I never did put
- 6 them back yet, because I have the pain in my arm when I
- 7 try to replace them and hold my arm up for a period of
- 8 time. Bringing the groceries in the house, my wife brings
- 9 them in the house mostly.
 - With the right hand I could take some. But
- 11 before I could take groceries in both hands and bring them
- 12 in the house. I used to use my grass, I cut my grass.
- 13 I used to cut my grass meaning myself, and I don't do that
- 14 no more.

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- 15 Q Any other activities that you used to do
- 16 prior to the accident regularly that you can't do at all
- 17 now that you haven't described?
- 18 A That is basically -- play with the grand kids,
- 19 you know. I used to play a little ball with the grand kids
- 20 or whatever and I don't do that no more.
- 21 Q Is that because of the shoulder injury or
- 22 something else?
- 23 A Well, basically if I aggravate this arm a lot
- 24 and then it will start to hurt some. So I don't even
- 25 bother with doing it.

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- 1 Q Who is "them there"?
- 2 A The people that --
- 3 Q Circuit City?
- 4 A Circuit City. Because they told me that they're
- 5 not going to cover the bills if I fell someplace else.
- 6 They said they are not going to pay and I would be obligated
- 7 to pay the bills.
- Q Now, you've indicated -- strike that. As
 you walked out of Circuit City and immediately before
- 10 you felt yourself starting to slip, do you specifically
- 11 have a recollection of where you were looking?
- 12 A I was looking straight ahead.
- 13 Q Okay. I am asking you in your mind's eye,
- 14 do you specifically recall what direction and where you
- 15 were looking immediately before you started to slip?
- 16 A Yeah, I was looking ahead.
- 17 Q When you say, "looking ahead" is that
- 18 eye level? Is that waist level? Is that towards the
- 19 ground? Please be more specific.
- 20 A Well, eye level.
- 21 Q One moment, please. I just want to be
- 22 specific as to activities. I want to differentiate,
- 23 what activities did you use to do regularly before the
- 24 accident that as you sit here today, you can't do at all,
- 25 you physically cannot do them at all, are there any

- 1 Q The only area of your body that you are 2 claiming injury as a result of this fall is your left
 - 3 shoulder, would you agree with that?
 - A That is all.
 - Q I have nothing further. Thank you.
 - MR. ZEMSKY: I just have a guick guestion.
 - RE-DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. ZEMSKY:
 - Q With regard to the other photographs that you took on December 3rd, 2007 outside of Circuit City, were
 - 10 they at different angles?
 - 11 A No, basically the same angle.
 - 12 Q Did you get out of your car?
 - 13 A No.
 - Q So out of all of the photographs you never got
 - 15 out of your car?
 - 16 A Yeah, one of them I might have gotten out of the
 - 17 car. It was basically like that there.
 - 18 Q When you got out of your car, did you walk up
 - 19 to the entrance to take a picture?
 - 20 A I had one that I might have walked up to the
 - 21 entrance. I don't remember.
 - 22 Q Okay. No more questions.
 - 23 MS. NUNNO DiCHIARA: I have a few questions.
- 24 CROSS EXAMINATION BY MS. NUNNO DICHIARA:
 - Q With regard to Fouskey-1, you said you took

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Page 90 Page 92 this picture the next day? 1 CERTIFICATE 2 2 A Yes. 3 I, DEBORAH EVENNOU a Notary Public and 3 Q And the snow accumulation shown in this 4 Certified Court Reporter of the State of New Jersey, do 4 picture? 5 hereby certify that prior to the commencement of the 5 Α About the same. examinations, JAMES FOUSKEY was duly sworn by me to testify 6 6 As the day before? Q 7 to the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth. 7 Yes, Α 8 I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that the foregoing is a 8 Q Was there any way to exit the Circuit City 9 true and accurate transcript of the testimony as taken 9 sidewalk and get back to your car without -- was there any 10 stenographically by and before me at the time, place and on 10 clear path to get back to your car? 11 the date hereinbefore set forth. 11 No. The only way that you could go was here and I 12 I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that I am neither a 12 looked in this area --13 relative, nor employee, nor attorney, nor counsel of any of 13 Q Just one second. You are indicating the 14 the parties to this action, and that I am neither a relative 15 nor employee of such attorney or counsel, and that I am not 14 ramp? 16 financially interested in the action. 15 Α Yes, I looked at this here. 17 16 Which is where the car is? Q 18 17 Where the car is and that was worse, you know. 19 18 I know there was a buildup there, so I wasn't going 19 there. 20 Certified Court Reporter 20 Q A buildup of? Notary Public of the State 21 Snow. 21 of New Jersey 22 Q Okay. 22 23 Α And ice. So here I thought was the best possible way 23 My commission expires 11/13 24 to come. 24 25 25 Q Indicating the ramp? 1 Α Yes. This is the way you come out if you are getting a purchase and you can park there to pick it up. 3 But that is the only way, is that. 4 And to your knowledge was there any area 5 completely free of snow and ice as you exited before your 6 fall? 7 Α No. 8 Q That is all I have. 9 MR. TIERNEY: I have nothing. 10 MR. ZEMSKY: You are done. Thank you very 11 much. 12 (Whereupon, the witness is excused.) 13 (Whereupon, the deposition is concluded.) 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25